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DISPOSAL AGREEMENT FOR LANDFILL

BETWEEN

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

<u>AND</u>

RIVER BIRCH LLC

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on this 13th day of 0ctober, 2020 between St. John the Baptist Parish, hereinafter referred to as (Parish) represented by Jaclyn Hotard Parish President and River Birch, LLC, a Louisiana Company (Contractor), the operator of the River Birch Landfill 2000 South Kenner Road, Avondale, LA 70094 504.436. 1288 represented by Albert J. Ward, Jr.

WHEREAS, the Contractor is the owner and the operator of that property known as the River Birch Landfill located near Waggaman in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is currently permitted to operate the Landfill pursuant to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality's approval and the approval of the Jefferson Parish Council; and

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to satisfy its responsibility to assure the proper management and disposal of all the solid wastes generated within jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor has offered to provide the Parish with a properly permitted, environmentally secure location to dispose of non-hazardous solid waste and the Parish has determined that accepting such offer is in the best interests of the citizens of St. John the Baptist Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, the mutual covenants contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged by each party hereto, the Parish and the Contractor do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>DEFINITIONS:</u> The following items and phrases shall have meanings set forth below:
 - 1.1 **CPI** shall mean the CPI in accordance with Section 10.2 herein.
 - 1.2 **Effective Date** shall mean the date on which this agreement is executed by both the Contractor and the Parish; if this Agreement is executed by the Parish on a date different than that date on which the Contractor Executes the Agreement, the Effective Date is the later date of execution.
 - 1.3 **EPA** shall mean the United States Environmental Protection Agency, or any successor agency.
 - 1.4 **Excluded Waste** shall mean automobile; unshredded tires (but only to the extent of disposal of tires that is prohibited under applicable Laws); infectious waste (including untreated medical waste, hospital waste, and dead poultry ort other animals which do not comply with federal and state regulations and Contractor's acceptance guidelines for treatment prior to disposal); materials which are radioactive, volatile, highly flammable, explosive or toxic; Hazardous Waste; or any other waste or material which is prohibited from disposal in the Landfill by Laws and by any of the terms and conditions or any permits, licenses, or approvals related to the River Birch Landfill and Contractor's operation of the same. Excluded Waste shall also mean that waste which is suitable for a Type I and/or Type II1 facility, as defined by LDEQ regulations.
 - 1.5 **Fees** shall mean the Gate fee established by Contractor for the disposal of Solid Waste at the river Birch Landfill, as annually adjusted as set forth herein.
 - Force Majeure shall mean any act, event or condition which is without the fault 1.6 and beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor or its agents relying thereon, including, without limitation: (i) an act of God, epidemic, landslide, lighting, earthquake, fire, explosion, storm, flood or similar occurrence. an act of public enemy, war, blockage, insurrection, riot, general arrest or restraint of government and people, civil disturbance or disobedience, sabotage or similar occurrence; (ii) a strike, so long as labor practices do not precipitate or prolong the strike, work slowdown or similar industrial or labor action; (iii) the order or judgement or other act of any federal, state, county, or local courts, administrative agency or government office or body; (iv) so long as such is not caused by the fault of the Contractor, the denial, loss, suspension, expiration, termination, delay or failure of renewal of any permit, license or other government approval required to operate (including, without limitation, those required to operate the Sanitary Landfill); (v) any federal, state, county or local law, rule, permit, regulation, or ordinance after the date hereof applicable to the river Birch Landfill, Contractor or Contractor affiliates; or (vi) if Contractor is for any reason (not a result of any act or omission

on the part of the Contractor) delayed or barred by governmental or judicial action from all or a significant percentage of the Fees, as may be from time to time adjusted, and any other payments that may become due and owing.

In the event of disruption of services under any such circumstances, Contractor will make every reasonable effort to reopen the Landfill Site to accept Solid Waste as soon as practicable after the cessation of the cause of suspension of services, and it will take reasonable steps to overcome the cause of cessation of service.

- 1.7 **Gate Fee** shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10 of this agreement.
- Hazardous Waste shall mean all waste defined or characterized as hazardous waste or hazardous substances by EPA or any other agency pursuant to the federal solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 ff), the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 ff) or solely for the purpose of this agreement, as a toxic substance or mixture regulated pursuant to Section 6 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 260 1 el seq.), and all future amendments to any of the foregoing, and all regulations promulgated. Thereunder or any other applicable federal law, rule, or regulation, as such are amended from time to time, and all waste defined or characterized as a hazardous waste or hazardous substance by Louisiana Laws.
- 1.9 **Landfill** shall mean the River Birch Landfill.
- 1.10 **Laws or Law** shall include valid and applicable federal, state, and local statues, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, decrees, and permit conditions.
- 1.11 **LDEQ** shall mean the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, an agency of the State of Louisiana, and any successor agency, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency if it assumes compliance, monitoring and enforcement functions currently delegated to LDEQ.
- 1.12 **Parish** shall mean St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana.
- 1.13 **Qualified Franchised Haulers** shall mean a person(s) or entity(s) with whom the Parish contracts, engages, or otherwise authorizes to transport Solid Waste to River Birch Landfill.
- 1.14 **River Birch Landfill** shall mean the sanitary landfill owned and operated by the Contractor at its Site and operated pursuant to Permit No. D-051-6741/P-0321 issued by LDEQ and any renewals or modifications thereof or successor permits.
- 1.15 **Service Area** shall mean the geographic area composed of the specific Louisiana Parishes as set forth in the operating permit issued and administered by LDEQ with respect to the River Birch Landfill, including any future additions.

- 1.16 **Service Commencement Date** shall mean January 1, 2021.
- 1.17 **Site** shall mean the geographic area encompassing the Landfill.
- 1.18 **Solid Waste** shall mean only municipal solid waste suitable for a Type II facility, as defined by LDEQ regulations. Solid Waste does not include any Excluded Waste or Special Waste defined herein.
- 1.19 **Special Waste** shall mean those wastes requiring specific processing, handling or disposal techniques as determined necessary by LDEQ, which are different from the techniques normally utilized for handling or disposal of municipal solid waste. Examples of such waste types include but, are not limited to: mining waste; fly ash; bottom ash; sludges; drilling fluids and drill cuttings; asbestos; industrial waste; liquid waste; large dead animals and residue; or medical waste.
- 1.20 **State** shall the State of Louisiana.
- 1.21 **Subtitle D** shall mean 4 CFR, Part 258, us promulgated by EPA and published in the Federal Register al 56 Fed. Reg. 50978 on October 9, 1991, and corresponding LDEQ regulations, as may form time to time be revised be EL' A and/or LDEQ.
- 1.22 **Taxes** shall mean any expenditures of the contractor which are required or assessed as a result of any and all taxes, fees, assessments or surcharges levied or assed by Law and arising out of or attributable to the disposal of Solid Waste which shall be assessed or levied after the Effective Date of this Agreement.
- 1.23 **Ton** shall mean 2,000 pounds.
- 1.24 To the extent not defined herein, all words, terms, phrases, used in this Agreement that relate to solid waste management or sanitary landfills and that are defined in the LDEQ Solid Waste Regulations, as amended, shall have the respective meanings as defined said act.

2. Scope of Work

2.1 General. As of the Service Commencement Date, Contractor agrees to furnish at the Site all labor, material, equipment, and land for the disposal of Solid Waste at the Site. Subject to Section 10.4 and 10.5 hereof, all costs of the landfill operation will be borne by the Contractor. Subject to terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Contractor shall provide to the Parish access to the Site for disposal of Solid Waste generated within the jurisdiction of the Parish, and delivers by the Parish in vehicles owned and operated by the Parish, a municipality within the Parish, or an independent hauler arranged for by the Parish, or other designee of the Parish.

- 2.2 <u>No Hauling Obligation</u>. This Agreement in no way created any duty upon or obligation of the Contractor to haul any Solid Waste to its Landfill Site for disposal.
- 2.3 Operation and Maintenance Responsibilities. The Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, furnish all labor and material, equipment and land necessary to operate and maintain in a good, clean and orderly condition consistent with the normal operation of a landfill and shall comply with all legally enforceable requirements imposed by regulatory agencies.
- 2.4 <u>Disposal.</u> Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Contractor shall be at the River Birch Landfill to provide to the Parish Disposal Services for all (Solid Waste generated within the Parish).
- 2.5 <u>Closure.</u> Contractor acknowledges its responsibility to comply with the closure and post-closure requirements established by LDEQ and EPA for the River Birch Landfill and agrees to perform and pay for the same.

$3. \quad \underline{\text{TERM}}$

- 3.1 <u>Term.</u> The term or this Agreement shall begin on the Service Commencement Date January 01, 2021. This Agreement shall be for a period or (10) years from that Service Commencement Date and terminating on December 31, 2030.
- Option to Renew. The Parish and Contractor, by mutual consent, may extend the term of this Agreement, as amended, for an additional ten (10) year period. Commencing on January 01, 2031 and ending on December 31, 2040. This option is exercisable upon both the Parish and Contractor notifying one another in writing their respective intentions to exercise this option at least sixty (60) days prior to December 31, 2030. If this option is exercised, all the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as amended, will apply to this ten (10) year additional period, including annual adjustments to the Gate Fee on the first day of the first option year and on the first day of each year thereafter, which adjustment shall be based upon any change in the Consumer Price Index, which annual adjustments are described in Section 10 of this agreement.

3.3 Amendment

This Agreement may be amended by written consent, executed by both parties and subject to approval by St. John the Baptist Parish Council.

- **HOURS.** Subject to (i) Force Majeure and (ii) temporary closing due to inclement weather, equipment problems, safety concerns and similar events beyond Contractor's reasonable control, the River Birch Landfill shall be open not longer than between the house of 5:00 AM and 5:00 PM, local time. Monday through Friday, and 6:00 AM and 2:00 PM, Local time, Saturday, excepting holidays.
- 5. <u>HOLIDAYS.</u> Contractor shall deliver the holiday schedule at the River Birch Landfill on an annual basis to Parish. The holiday schedule shall be set by the Contractor at its sole discretion.
- **APPLICABLE LAWS.** The Contractor and the Parish shall comply, in all material respects, with Laws applicable to this Agreement. The parties to this Agreement stipulate and agree that the Laws of the State of Louisiana shall govern the validity, construction, interpretation, and effect of this Agreement.

7. OPERTATION STANDARDS

- 7.1 **Permits**. The Contractor shall use its reasonable efforts to maintain all necessary permit, licenses and approvals required by all governmental entities having jurisdiction over the Landfill and to operate same in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 7.2 Operation of the Landfill. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as giving to the Parish or any other person or entity the right to exercise control over the business or operations of the Contractor (including, without limitation the operation of the Landfill) or to direct in any respect the manner in which Contractor's business and operations (including, but not without limitation, the operation of the Landfill) are conducted. Contractor Shall have full, complete, and sole discretion and control over all aspects of the operation of the Landfill.

8. <u>INSURANCE</u>

8.1 The Contractor shall obtain the following types of insurance naming the Parish as an additional insured, in at least the limits specified below:

8.1.1 General Liability:

\$500,000 per each occurrence;

8.1.2 Automobile Liability:

\$500,000 bodily injury and property

damage, combined single limit per

each occurrence

8.1.3 Property Damage:

\$500,000 each occurrence;

8.1.4 Workmen's Compensation: Statutory;

- 8.2 Contractor shall meet the financial requirements for landfill operations, landfill closure, landfill post-closure care, and any other financial requirements related to landfill operation established by LDEQ and/or EPA.
- 8.3 All policies evidencing the insurance required by the terms of the preceding paragraph shall be acquired and maintained in generally recognized responsible insurance companies, qualified under the laws of the State of Louisiana and may be written with coinsurance provisions and deductible amounts comparable to those applicable to similar policies carried by persons engaged in business of like size and type as the Contractor with respect to properties similar to the River Birch Landfill.
- 8.4 The Contractor may self-insure for all or anu part of the above coverages with the prior written consent of the Parish, which consent shall not ne unreasonably withheld.
- 8.5 Any policies required by this Agreement may be contained blanket policies.
- 8.6 The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of all applicable Worker's Compensation laws. Contractor shall supply or cause to be supplied to the Parish, upon request, certificates of insurance evidencing such coverage as described herein.

9. <u>LANDFILL RULES AND REGULATIONS</u>

- 9.1 The Contractor shall have the right to establish other reasonable rules, regulations, standards, and policies necessary, appropriate or desirable for the operation of the Landfill, including regulations concerning access, safety, operation and types of substances to be deposited in the Landfill; provided that mothering herein shall permit the contractor to establish or change any rule, regulation, standard or policy establishes in this Agreement to allow Hazardous Waste to be disposed of at the Landfill.
- 9.2 All rules, regulations and policies established by the contractor shall be delivered to the appropriate offices of the Parish. However, non-receipt by the Parish of such rules, regulations or policies shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the same.
- 9.3 When entering the Site or delivering Solid Waste to the Landfill, the Parish and its officials, agents and employees and Qualified Franchised Haulers shall comply with all rules, regulations, standards and policies established by the Contractor or otherwise applicable to the Landfill.

10. COMPENSATION AND BILLING

- 10.1 The Gate Fee for the Solid Waste generated within the Parish, whether collected by the Parish or a solid waste hauler, and delivered to the Landfill pursuant to this Agreement, shall be at the following rates:
- 10.2 For Solid Waste delivered during the calendar year 2021 \$34.40 per ton. For 2022 and beyond, the Gate Fee shall be adjusted annually on the first day of each year (beginning January 01,2022) to reflect the change in the CPI. The Gate Fee shall be adjusted effective January 01 of 2022 and each year thereafter by using the most currently available CPI and applying it by the previous year's Gate Fee to establish the Gate Fee for that current year. The Gate Fee as so adjusted, shall be effective for that entire year. For example, the gate Fee in 2022 shall be \$34.40 as adjusted for the most recent (as of January 01, 2022) CPI; the Gate Fee in 2023 shall be the 2022 gate Fee as adjusted for the most recent (as of January 01, 2023) CPI; the Gate Fee in 2024 shall be the 2023 Gate Fee as adjusted for the most recent (as of January 01, 2024) CPI and so on and so forth. The CPI adjustment shall not exceed 3% annually over the term of the Agreement.
- 10.3 The CPI is the Consumer Price Index, as published by the United States Department of Labor, which is most applicable to this geographical area. (If this CPI computation is discontinued during the term of this agreement, then similar type of index which is published and available during the remainder of the term of this Agreement shall be applied.)
- 10.4 The Contractor shall provide, maintain, and operate suitable truck scales at the Site. For each load of Solid Waste delivered to the Landfill, the Contractor shall determine the weight thereof and shall compute the applicable Gate Fee and shall give a copy of the receipt to the driver ort other person delivering such load and shall maintain copy of such receipt.
- 10.5 The Gate Fee shall be adjusted annually to reimburse the Contractor for any expenditures required by all Taxes, fees, assessments or surcharges levied or assessed by Law and arising out of or attributable to the disposal of Solid Waste which shall become effective after the Effective Date of this agreement.
 - 10.6.1 Parish will also reimburse Contractor for its proportionate share of any expenditures (whether capital or operational) required solely by Federal, State, or local law, regulation, rule, ordinance, order, permit or permit condition that becomes effective after the Effective Date of this Agreement and that was not imposed solely because of the action or inaction of the Contractor. Contractor may amortize any required capital expenditures, with interest at the current rates for financing, over the remaining useful life of the Site or the useful like of the improvement whichever is less. Contractor may include any additional required

operating expenditures as an adjustment the Gate Fee as adjusted. Contractor will furnish to Parish calculations showing the basis for any such increases.

10.6.2 Parish will also pay Contractor an amount ("Tax Escalation Amount") equal to its proportionate share of the amount by which the Taxes assessed in each tax year exceed the amount of all Taxes paid or accrued by Contractor in the Calendar year of the Effective Date. Within 120 days of the Effective Date, Contractor will provide Parish with a statement of the Taxes for the first calendar year. One-Twelfth (1/12th) of the Tax Escalation Amount will be added each month to the invoice od the Parish. Alternatively, Contractor may, in its sole discretion, increase the Gate Fee to provide for such payment.

10.6.3 Parish will also reimburse, or pay as the case may be, any additional fees, charges, assessments (other than for Taxes) imposed by Federal, State, or local law, regulation, rule, ordinance or order, permit or permit conditions that become effective or applicable after the Effective Date.

10.6.4 Within ten (10) days after receiving invoice from the Contractor, Parish shall pay the amount of said invoice to Contractor.

11. NOTICES

11.1 Notices of conditions or situations affecting the work to be performs under this Agreement shall be given in writing between designated personnel of the Contractor, and the Parish.

11.2 All notices shall be given in writing, to be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the parties as set forth below:

11.2.1 If to the Contractor: River Birch, LLC

2000 S Kenner Road

Avondale, Louisiana 70094

11.2.2 If to the Parish: Parish President

St. John the Baptist Parish 1811 West Airline Hwy Laplace, La 70068

12. WASTE OWNERSHIP

The Parish agrees that all Solid Waste deposited into the Landfill shall be the property of the Contractor.

13. <u>DISPOSAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS</u>

During the Term of this Agreement or any renewal thereof, the Parish agrees all Solid Waste – (a) which is collected within the Parish, which collections is under the control (active or constructive) of the Parish or (b) which is generated within the Parish and which is under the control (active or constructive) of the Parish or (c) of which the Parish has control (active or constructive) over the disposal thereof.

14. <u>DISPOSAL BY PARISH RESIDENTS</u>

Any resident of the Parish who can show a valid driver's license with his/her address in the Parish and a current water bill form the Parish will be allowed to dump solid waste at the Landfill at the same rate charged to the Parish.

15. RIGHT OF INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The Parish agrees that the Contractor has the authority to inspect any vehicle, load or volume of waste brought to the Landfill for violations of Laws or violations of this Agreement. It shall be the responsibility of the transporter of such Solid Waste to manage the rejected load in a prudent and legal manner. The Parish shall have the right to inspect at any reasonable time those records of contractor which relate to the Parish.

16. HAZARDOUS AND INFECTIOUS WASTE

The parties hereto agree that the Landfill will not be licensed, permitted, or intended for the disposition of Hazardous Waste or Infectious Waste. The Contractor aggress that it will not accept any hazardous waste, or any substances prohibited from disposition in sanitary landfills by Law.

17. CONTRACTOR'S STATUS

Contractor is an independent contractor and not any agent or representative of the Parish

18. LDEO PERMIT

Contractor agrees to use its reasonable efforts to maintain all necessary permits or approvals required by Law for the operation of the Landfill.

19. REMEDY ON DEFAULT

If either party breaches any of the material provisions of this Agreement and remains in default for a period of thirty (30) days after receiving written notice setting forth a detailed description of such default, the non-defaulting party may, at its option, either sue for damages and/or sue for specific performance of this Agreement and/or sue to cancel this Agreement.

20. ATTORNEY FEES

If as a result of a breach or default hereunder, any party hereto shall be caused to employ attorneys or incur other expenses in or about the collection of amounts due from the other party under this Agreement or the enforcement of any other obligation, covenant, or agreement contained in this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall pay to such other party reasonable attorney's fees and other reasonable expenses so incurred.

21. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>

In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

22. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana. Proper venue for any lawsuit arising under the terms of this Agreement shall be he Fortieth Judicial Court, St. John the Baptist Parish and any appropriate Appellate therefrom. Contractor hereby agrees and consents to personal and/or un rem jurisdiction of trail and appropriate Appellate.

23. REPRESENTATIONS

- 23.1 The Parish makes the following representations and warranties as the basis for its undertakings pursuant to this Agreement.
 - 23.1.1 It has been granted by statue and Law the power and authority to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to fulfill and carry out its obligations hereunder; and

- 23.1.2 The execution and delivery of this Agreement on its part has been properly authorized by its governing body and the Parish has made its best efforts to undertake all other actions necessary to authorize the Agreement.
- 23.2 The Contractor makes the following representations and warranties as the basis for its undertakings pursuant to this Agreement.
- 23.2.1 The Contractor is a Limited Liability Company organizes under the laws of the State of Louisiana and qualified to do business in the State of Louisiana, and has the power to enter into and perform and observe the agreements and covenants on its part contained in this Agreement.
- 23.2.2 The execution and delivery of this Agreement on the part of the Contractor have been duly authorized by authority of the managers of River Birch LLC.

24. NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Contractor shall not discriminate against any person because or race, sex, creed, color, age, religion, or national origin.

25. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: EFFECTIVE DATE

- 25.1 This Agreement contains the entire Agreement of the partied and superseded all prior negotiations, agreements, and oral understandings, if any, between the parties hereto. Any amendments to this Agreement must be reduced to writing and duly signed by each party to this Agreement.
- 25.2 This Agreement is effective upon its execution by the Parish and the Contractor (the Effective Date) and shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parish and the Contractor, and the Contractor's successors and assigns.

26. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

The Parish terminate this Agreement for cause based upon the failure of the Contractor to comply with the terms and/or conditions of this agreement, provided that Parish shall give the Contractor written notice specifying the Contractor's failure to perform and provide thirty (30) calendar days' notice, from mailing of the notice, to cure and/or remedy the stated non-compliance. This Agreement shall terminate thirty (30) calendar days from the date the notice is mailed.

The Contractor may terminate this Agreement for cause based upon the failure of the Parish to comply with the terms and/or conditions of this Agreement, provided that the Contractor shall give the Parish written notice specifying the Parish's failure to perform and provide thirty (30) calendar days' notice, from mailing of the notice, to sure and/or remedy the

stated non-compliance. This Agreement shall terminate thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the notice was mailed.

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor will not be relieved of liability to Parish for damages sustained by Parish by virtue of any breach of this Agreement by the Contractor, and Parish may withhold any payments to the Contractor for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due Parish from the Contractor is determined.

27. EXCLUSIONS

Pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statue 38:2227, Contractor must certify that he not been convicted of, or has not entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to public bribery, corrupt influencing, extortion, money laundering, or their equivalent federal crimes. Contractor must further certify that he has not been convicted of, or has not entered into a plea of guilty or contendere to theft, indent theft, theft of a business record, false accounting, issuing worthless checks, bank fraud, forgery, Contractors' misapplication of payments, malfeasance in office, or their equivalent federal crimes within five (5) years prior to submitting the proposal.

28. NON-SOLICITATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 38:2224 and Louisiana Revised Statute 23:1726(B), Contractor must certify that neither he, nor anyone acting on behalf of Contractor, either directly or indirectly, employed, paid nor promised any gift, consideration or commission to any person or legal entity to procure or assist in procuring this contract, other than persons regularly employed by Contractor. Contractor further affirms that no part of the contract price was paid or will be paid to any person, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting this contract, other payment to person regularly employed by the Contractor in the regular course of their employment duties for Contractor. Contractor further agrees that it will continue to properly classify each employee for unemployment compliance purposes.

29. E-VERIFY PROGRAM

Pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 38:2212.10, Contractor must certify that it and each individual, firm or corporation associated with it and engaged in the physical performance of services in the State of Louisiana, under a contract with Saint John the Baptist Parish has registered with, is participating in, and shall continue to participate in a federal work authorization program designated as such under the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, as amended, which is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, known as the "E-Verify" program. Contractor must verify the legal status of all existing and new employees in the State of Louisiana by attesting herein that each is a citizen of the United States or legal aliens as defined by now effective immigration laws of the United States of America.

THUS, DONE AND SIGNED AT LaPlace, Louisiana on the day, month and year first written above.

WITNESS:

CONTRACTOR:

RIVER BIRCH, LLC

BY:

ALBERT J. WARD JR

PARISH:

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

WITNESS:

BY:

JACLYN HOTARD

PARISH PRESIDENT

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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY AND UNAMIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE MANAGERS OF RIVER BIRCH, LLC SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

The undersigned, constituting all of the managers of River Birch, LLC (the Company), a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby consent, pursuant to Section 1318 of the Louisiana Limited Liability Company Law (La. R.S. Section 12:1301 et seq.), to the adoption of the following resolutions, effective immediately:

RESOLVED that **Albert J. Ward, Jr, Manager** of this LLC, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute all documents related to the following:

A Disposal Agreement for Landfill Services between St John the Baptist Parish and River Birch LLC for a period of 10 years effective January 1, 2021.

The **Manager** is further authorized to sign any and all documentation necessary and proper to accomplish the foregoing and to include within such documentation such terms and provisions as the said Manager should deem necessary and appropriate and which are not inconsistent with the terms as previously agreed to by the parties.

MANAGERS.

Albert I Ward

Frederick R Heehe

This done and signed before me, Notary, duly commissioned in and for the State of

Louisiana, Parish of Jefferson.

NOTARY PUBLIC

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STATE OF LOUISIANA

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COUNCIL

1811 West Airline Hwy. LaPlace, Louisiana 70068 Office 985-652-1702 Fax 985-652-1700

Division A Lennix Madere, Jr. P.O. Box 2617 Reserve, LA 70084 Cell 985-379-6188

October 14th, 2020

Division B Michael P. Wright 1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068 Cell 504-717-3936

Jaclyn Hotard, Parish President ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH 1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068

District I Kurt Becnel 5605 Hwy. 18 River Rd. Town of Wallace Vacherie, LA 70090 Cell 504-330-6338

Dear Mrs. Hotard:

District II Warren Torres, Jr. 1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068 Cell 504-444-4153

Please be advised of the following motion, which the St. John the Baptist Parish Council adopted at a meeting held on Tuesday, October 13th, 2020.

District III Tammy Houston 1811 W. Airline Hwv. LaPlace, LA 70068 Cell 504-444-3956

"Councilwoman Houston moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to enter into a Disposal Agreement for Landfill Services with River Birch, LLC. The motion passed with Councilman Arcuri absent."

District IV Tyra Duhe-Griffin 1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068 Cell 504-444-4177

CERTIFICATION

District V Robert J. Arcuri 1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068

I, Jackie Landeche, Secretary of the St. John the Baptist Parish Council do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a motion adopted by said body on the 13th day of October, 2020.

Cell 504-444-3167 District VI Tonia Schnyder

Council Secretary

St. John the Baptist Parish Council

1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068 Cell 504-444-4283

District VII Thomas Malik 1811 W. Airline Hwy. LaPlace, LA 70068 Cell 504-402-0302